

**COMBINED DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY**

ORIGINAL, DESIGN, NATIONAL STAGE OF PCT, SUPPLEMENTAL, DIVISIONAL,  
CONTINUATION, OR C-I-P)

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

**TYPE OF DECLARATION**

This declaration is of the following type:

(check one applicable item below)

☒ original.

☐ design.

**NOTE:** With the exception of a supplemental oath or declaration submitted in a reissue, a supplemental oath or declaration is not treated as an amendment under 37 CFR 1.312 (Amendments after allowance). M.P.E.P. § 714.16, 7th Edition.

☐ supplemental.

**NOTE:** If the declaration is for an International Application being filed as a divisional, continuation or continuation-in-part application, do not check next item; check appropriate one of last three items.

☐ national stage of PCT.

**NOTE:** If one of the following 3 items apply, then complete and also attach ADDED PAGES FOR DIVISIONAL, CONTINUATION OR C-I-P.

**NOTE:** See 37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d) (continued prosecution application) for use of a prior nonprovisional application declaration in the continuation or divisional application being filed on behalf of the same or fewer of the inventors named in the prior application.

☐ divisional.

☐ continuation.

**NOTE:** Where an application discloses and claims subject matter not disclosed in the prior application, or a continuation or divisional application names an inventor not named in the prior application, a continuation-in-part application must be filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) (application filing requirements — nonprovisional application).

☐ continuation-in-part (C-I-P).

**INVENTORSHIP IDENTIFICATION**

**WARNING:** If the inventors are each not the inventors of all the claims, an explanation of the facts, including the ownership of all the claims at the time the last claimed invention was made, should be submitted.

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below, next to my name. I believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter that is claimed, and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**TITLE OF INVENTION**

MEANS AND METHOD FOR FILLING BAG-ON-VALVE

AEROSOL BARRIER PACKS

## SPECIFICATION IDENTIFICATION

the specification of which:

(complete (a), (b), or (c))

(a) ☐ is attached hereto.

NOTE: "The following combinations of information supplied in an oath or declaration filed on the application filing date with a specification are acceptable as minimums for identifying a specification and compliance with any one of the items below will be accepted as complying with the identification requirement of 37 CFR 1.63:

"(1) name of inventor(s), and reference to an attached specification which is both attached to the oath or declaration at the time of execution and submitted with the oath or declaration on filing;

"(2) name of inventor(s), and attorney docket number which was on the specification as filed;  
or

"(3) name of inventor(s), and title which was on the specification as filed."

Notice of July 13, 1995 (1177 O.G. 60).

(b) ~~XXX~~ was filed on July 10, 2003, as ~~XX~~ Serial No. ~~6~~ 10/616,665  
~~and was amended on /~~ (if applicable).

NOTE: Amendments filed after the original papers are deposited with the PTO that contain new matter are not accorded a filing date by being referred to in the declaration. Accordingly, the amendments involved are those filed with the application papers or, in the case of a supplemental declaration, are those amendments claiming matter not encompassed in the original statement of invention or claims. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.67.

NOTE: "The following combinations of information supplied in an oath or declaration filed after the filing date are acceptable as minimums for identifying a specification and compliance with any one of the items below will be accepted as complying with the identification requirement of 37 CFR 1.63:

"(A) application number (consisting of the series code and the serial number, e.g., 08/123,456);

"(B) serial number and filing date;

"(C) attorney docket number which was on the specification as filed;

"(D) title which was on the specification as filed and reference to an attached specification which is both attached to the oath or declaration at the time of execution and submitted with the oath or declaration; or

"(E) title which was on the specification as filed and accompanied by a cover letter accurately identifying the application for which it was intended by either the application number (consisting of the series code and the serial number, e.g., 08/123,456), or serial number and filing date. Absent any statement(s) to the contrary, it will be presumed that the application filed in the PTO is the application which the inventor(s) executed by signing the oath or declaration."

M.P.E.P. § 601.01(a), 7th Ed.

(c) ☐ was described and claimed in PCT International Application No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed on \_\_\_\_\_ and as amended under PCT Article 19 on \_\_\_\_\_ (if any).

**SUPPLEMENTAL DECLARATION (37 C.F.R. § 1.67(b))**

*(complete the following where a supplemental declaration is being submitted)*

- ☐ I hereby declare that the subject matter of the
- ☐ attached amendment
  - ☐ amendment filed on \_\_\_\_\_

was part of my/our invention and was invented before the filing date of the original application, above-identified, for such invention.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF REVIEW OF PAPERS AND DUTY OF CANDOR**

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information, which is material to patentability as defined in 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56,

*(also check the following items, if desired)*

- ☒ and which is material to the examination of this application, namely, information where there is a substantial likelihood that a reasonable Examiner would consider it important in deciding whether to allow the application to issue as a patent, and
- ☐ in compliance with this duty, there is attached an information disclosure statement, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98.

**PRIORITY CLAIM (35 U.S.C. §§ 119(a)–(d))**

**NOTE:** "The claim to priority need be in no special form and may be made by the attorney or agent if the foreign application is referred to in the oath or declaration as required by § 1.63. The claim for priority and the certified copy of the foreign application specified in 35 U.S.C. 119(b) must be filed in the case of an interference (§ 1.630), when necessary to overcome the date of a reference relied upon by the examiner, when specifically required by the examiner, and in all other situations, before the patent is granted. If the claim for priority or the certified copy of the foreign application is filed after the date the issue fee is paid, it must be accompanied by a petition requesting entry and by the fee set forth in § 1.17(i). If the certified copy is not in the English language, a translation need not be filed except in the case of interference; or when necessary to overcome the date of a reference relied upon by the examiner; or when specifically required by the examiner, in which event an English language translation must be filed together with a statement that the translation of the certified copy is accurate." 37 C.F.R. § 1.55(a).

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §§ 119(a)–(d) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or of any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America filed by me on the same subject matter having a filing date before that of the application(s) of which priority is claimed.

*(complete (d) or (e))*

- (d) ☒ no such applications have been filed.
- (e) ☐ such applications have been filed as follows.

**NOTE:** Where item (c) is entered above and the International Application which designated the U.S. itself claimed priority check item (e), enter the details below and make the priority claim.

**PRIOR FOREIGN/PCT APPLICATION(S) FILED WITHIN 12 MONTHS  
(6 MONTHS FOR DESIGN) PRIOR TO THIS APPLICATION  
AND ANY PRIORITY CLAIMS UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d)**

COUNTRY (OR INDICATE IF PCT)	APPLICATION NUMBER	DATE OF FILING (day, month, year)	PRIORITY CLAIMED UNDER 37 USC 119
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			<input type="checkbox"/> YES    NO <input type="checkbox"/>
			<input type="checkbox"/> YES    NO <input type="checkbox"/>
			<input type="checkbox"/> YES    NO <input type="checkbox"/>
			<input type="checkbox"/> YES    NO <input type="checkbox"/>

**CLAIM FOR BENEFIT OF PRIOR U.S. PROVISIONAL APPLICATION(S)**  
(34 U.S.C. § 119(e))

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

**PROVISIONAL APPLICATION NUMBER**

**FILING DATE**

\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
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**CLAIM FOR BENEFIT OF EARLIER US/PCT APPLICATION(S)  
UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 120**

- ☐ The claim for the benefit of any such applications are set forth in the attached ADDED PAGES TO COMBINED DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR DIVISIONAL, CONTINUATION OR CONTINUATION-IN-PART (C-I-P) APPLICATION.

**ALL FOREIGN APPLICATION(S), IF ANY, FILED MORE THAN 12 MONTHS  
(MONTH FROM DESIGN) PRIOR TO THIS U.S. APPLICATION**

**NOTE:** If the application filed more than 12 months from the filing date of this application is a PCT filing forming the basis for this application entering the United States as (1) the national stage, or (2) a continuation, divisional, or continuation-in-part, then also complete **ADDED PAGES TO COMBINED DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR DIVISIONAL, CONTINUATION OR C-I-P APPLICATION** for benefit of the prior U.S. or PCT application(s) under 35 U.S.C. § 120.

**POWER OF ATTORNEY**

I hereby appoint the following practitioner(s) to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

*(list name and registration number)*

Daniel H. Steidl - Reg. No. 22,098

*(check the following item, if applicable)*

- ☐ I hereby appoint the practitioner(s) associated with the Customer Number provided below to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.
- ☐ Attached, as part of this declaration and power of attorney, is the authorization of the above-named practitioner(s) to accept and follow instructions from my representative(s).

**NOTE:** "Special care should be taken in continuation or divisional applications to ensure that any change of correspondence address in a prior application is reflected in the continuation or divisional application. For example, where a copy of the oath or declaration from the prior application is submitted for a continuation or divisional application filed under 37 CFR 1.53(b) and the copy of the oath or declaration from the prior application designates an old correspondence address, the Office may not recognize, in the continuation or divisional application, the change of correspondence address made during the prosecution of the prior application. Applicant is required to identify the change of correspondence address in the continuation or divisional application to ensure that communications from the Office are mailed to the current correspondence address. 37 CFR 1.63(d)(4)." § 601.03, M.P.E.P., 7th Edition.

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*(complete the following if applicable)*

Since this filing is a ☐ continuation ☐ divisional there is attached hereto a Change of Correspondence Address so that there will be no question as to where the PTO should direct all correspondence.

## DECLARATION

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

## SIGNATURE(S)

NOTE: Carefully indicate the family (or last) name, as it should appear on the filing receipt and all other documents.

NOTE: Each inventor must be identified by full name, including the family name, and at least one given name without abbreviation together with any other given name or initial, and by his/her residence, post office address and country of citizenship. 37 CFR § 1.63(a)(3).

NOTE: Inventors may execute separate declarations/oaths provided each declaration/oath sets forth all the inventors. Section 1.63(a)(3) requires that a declaration/oath, inter alia, identify each inventor and prohibits the execution of separate declarations/oaths which each sets forth only the name of the executing inventor. 62 Fed. Reg. 53,131, 53,142, October 10, 1997.

### Full name of sole or first inventor

Louis \_\_\_\_\_ Pericard \_\_\_\_\_  
(GIVEN NAME) (MIDDLE INITIAL OR NAME) FAMILY (OR LAST NAME)

Inventor's signature  \_\_\_\_\_

Date 14.02.2003 Country of Citizenship France

Residence Schulstrasse 33, 65795 Hattersheim, Rep. of Germany

Post Office Address same

### Full name of second joint inventor, if any

\_\_\_\_\_  
(GIVEN NAME) (MIDDLE INITIAL OR NAME) FAMILY (OR LAST NAME)

Inventor's signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Country of Citizenship \_\_\_\_\_

Residence \_\_\_\_\_

Post Office Address \_\_\_\_\_

### Full name of third joint inventor, if any

\_\_\_\_\_  
(GIVEN NAME) (MIDDLE INITIAL OR NAME) FAMILY (OR LAST NAME)

Inventor's signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Country of Citizenship \_\_\_\_\_

Residence \_\_\_\_\_

Post Office Address \_\_\_\_\_

(check proper box(es) for any of the following added page(s)  
that form a part of this declaration)

- ☐ **Signature** for fourth and subsequent joint inventors. *Number of pages added* \_\_\_\_\_

. . .

- ☐ **Signature** by administrator(trix), executor(trix) or legal representative for deceased or incapacitated inventor. *Number of pages added* \_\_\_\_\_

. . .

- ☐ **Signature** for inventor who refuses to sign or cannot be reached by person authorized under 37 CFR 1.47. *Number of pages added* \_\_\_\_\_

. . .

- ☐ Added page for **signature** by one joint inventor on behalf of deceased inventor(s) where legal representative cannot be appointed in time. (37 CFR 1.47)

. . .

- ☐ Added pages to combined declaration and power of attorney for divisional, continuation, or continuation-in-part (C-I-P) application.

☐ Number of pages added \_\_\_\_\_

. . .

- ☐ Authorization of practitioner(s) to accept and follow instructions from representative.

. . .

(if no further pages form a part of this Declaration,  
then end this Declaration with this page and check the following item)

☒ **This declaration ends with this page.**

## DECLARATION OR OATH

- II. ☒ No declaration or oath was filed. Enclosed is the original declaration or oath for this application.

### OR

- ☐ The declaration or oath that was filed was determined to be defective. A new original oath or declaration is attached.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. 1.41(a) points out that "Full names must be stated, including the family name and at least one given name without abbreviation together with any other given name or initial."

NOTE: For surcharge fee for filing declaration after filing date complete item VI(3) below.

NOTE: Acceptable minimums in the declaration for identification of the specification to which it applies are the name of the inventor and (1) serial number (2) attorney docket number which was on the application as filed and the filing date (3) title of the invention and filing date (4) title of invention and reference to a specification which is attached to the declaration at the time of execution and filed with the declaration or (5) title of invention and a statement by a registered attorney that the application filed in the PTO is the application which the inventor executed by signing the declaration. If identification (4) is used it must be accompanied by a statement that the "attached" specification is a copy of the specification and any amendments thereto which were filed in the PTO to obtain the filing date; such a statement must be a verified statement if made by a person not registered to practice before the PTO. Notice of September 12, 1983 (1035 O.G. 3).

NOTE: Another minimum found acceptable in the declaration is the filing date (i.e., date of express mail) and the express mail number, useful where the serial number is not yet known. But note the practice where the express mail deposit is a Saturday, Sunday or holiday within the District of Columbia. 37 C.F.R. 1.10(c).

(complete (c) or (d), if applicable)

Attached is a

- (c) ☐ Statement by a registered attorney that the application filed in the PTO is the application that the inventor executed by signing the declaration.
- (d) ☐ Statement that the "attached" specification is a copy of the specification and any amendments thereto, that were filed in the PTO to obtain the filing date.

## AMENDMENT CANCELLING CLAIMS

- III. ☐ Cancel claims \_\_\_\_\_ inclusive.

## TRANSMITTAL OF ENGLISH TRANSLATION OF NON-ENGLISH LANGUAGE PAPERS

- IV. ☐ Submitted herewith is a verified English translation of the non-English language application papers as originally filed. It is requested that this translation be used as the copy for examination purposes in the PTO.

NOTE: For fee processing a non-English application, complete item VI(5) below.

NOTE: A non-English oath or declaration in the form provided or approved by the PTO need not be translated. 37 C.F.R. 1.69(b).

NOTE: The translation for a regular application filed in a foreign language must be verified. 37 C.F.R. 1.52(d).



## SMALL ENTITY STATUS

V. Not applicable.

☐ A verified statement that this filing is by a small entity

NOTE: If an original verified statement and a refund request is filed within two months of the date of payment of a fee, then the excess fee paid will be refunded on request. 37 C.F.R. 1.28(a).

(check and complete applicable items)

☐ is attached.

☐ A separate refund request accompanies this paper.

☐ was filed on \_\_\_\_\_ (original).

## COMPLETION FEES

VI.

WARNING: Failure to submit the surcharge fees where required will cause the application to become abandoned. 37 C.F.R. 1.53(d).

NOTE: The filing fees, fees for claims and surcharge fees listed below in items 1, 2 and 3 are reduced by 50% where proof of a small entity status is established on or before the date the fee is paid. If the full fee was paid but a verified statement is filed within 2 months of the date of timely payment of a fee then the excess fee paid will be refunded on request. 37 C.F.R. 1.28(a).

1. Filing fee

☐ original patent application  
(37 C.F.R. 1.16(a)—\$770.00; Small entity—\$385.00) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

☐ design application  
(37 C.F.R. 1.16(f)—\$320.00; small entity—\$160.00) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

2. Fees for claims

☐ each independent claim in excess of 3  
(37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)—\$80.00; small entity—\$40.00) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

☐ each claim in excess of 20  
(37 C.F.R. 1.16(c)—\$22.00; small entity—\$11.00) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

☐ multiple dependent claim(s)  
(37 C.F.R. 1.16(d)—\$260.00; small entity—\$130.00) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

3. Surcharge fees

☐ late payment of filing fee

and/or

☒ late filing of original declaration or oath  
(37 C.F.R. 1.16(e)—\$130.00; small entity—\$65.00); \$ 130.00

NOTE: Even where a facsimile declaration or oath signed by the inventor(s) was part of the originally filed papers, the surcharge fee is required.

NOTE: If both the filing fee and declaration or oath were missing from the original papers, only one surcharge fee for both need be paid. 37 C.F.R. 1.16(e).

4. ☐ Petition and fee for filing by other than all the inventors or a person not the inventor (37 C.F.R. 1.17(h) and 1.47—\$130.00) \$ \_\_\_\_\_
5. ☐ Fee for processing an application filed with a specification in a non-English language (37 C.F.R. 1.17(k) and 1.52(d)—\$130.00) \$ \_\_\_\_\_
6. ☐ Fee for processing and retention of application (37 C.F.R. 1.21(l) and 1.53(d)—\$130.00) \$ \_\_\_\_\_
7. ☐ Assignment (See "ASSIGNMENT COVER SHEET".)

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. 1.21(f) establishes a fee for processing and retaining any application which is abandoned for failing to complete the application pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.53(d) and this, as well as, the changes to 37 C.F.R. 1.53 and 1.78 indicate that in order to obtain the benefit of a prior U.S. application, either the basic filing fee or the processing and retention fee of § 1.21(f) within 1 year of notification under §1.53(d) must be paid.

Total completion fees \$ 130.00

### EXTENSION OF TIME

#### VII.

(complete (a) or (b), as applicable)

The proceedings herein are for a patent application, and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) apply.

- (a) ☐ Applicant petitions for an extension of time, the fees for which are set out in 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)-(d), for the total number of months checked below:

Extension (months)	Fee for other than small entity	Fee for small entity
<input type="checkbox"/> one month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
<input type="checkbox"/> two months	\$ 390.00	\$195.00
<input type="checkbox"/> three months	\$ 930.00	\$465.00
<input type="checkbox"/> four months	\$1,470.00	\$735.00
		Fee \$ .00

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

(check and complete the next item, if applicable)

- ☐ An extension for \_\_\_\_\_ months has already been secured, and the fee paid therefor of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$ .00

or

- (b) ☒ Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

## TOTAL FEE DUE

### VIII.

The total fee due is

Completion fee(s) \$ 130.00

Extension fee (if any) \$ .00

Total Fee Due \$ 130.00

## PAYMENT OF FEES

### IX.

☒ Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$ 130.00

☐ Charge Account No. \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.  
A duplicate of this request is attached.

NOTE: Fees should be itemized in such a manner that it is clear for which purpose the fees are paid. 37 C.F.R. 1.22(b).

## AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE ADDITIONAL FEES

### X.

**WARNING:** Accurately count claims, especially multiple dependant claims, to avoid unexpected high charges if extra claims are authorized.

☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following additional fees that may be required by this paper and during the pendency of this application to Account No. 11-0854

☒ 37 C.F.R. 1.16(a), (f) or (g) (filing fees)

☐ 37 C.F.R. 1.16(b), (c) and (d) (presentation of extra claims)

NOTE: Because additional fees for excess or multiple dependent claims not paid on filing or on later presentation must only be paid or these claims cancelled by amendment prior to the expiration of the time period set for response by the PTO in any notice of fee deficiency (37 C.F.R. 1.16(d)), it might be best not to authorize the PTO to charge additional claim fees, except possibly when dealing with amendments after final action.

☐ 37 C.F.R. 1.16(e) (surcharge for filing the basic filing fee and/or declaration on a date later than the filing date of the application)

☐ 37 C.F.R. 1.17 (application processing fees)

**WARNING:** While 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a), (b), (c) and (d) deal with extensions of time under § 1.136(a) this authorization should be made only with the knowledge that: "Submission of the appropriate extension fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) is to no avail unless a request or petition for extension is filed." (Emphasis added). Notice of Nov. 5, 1985 (1060 O.G. 27).

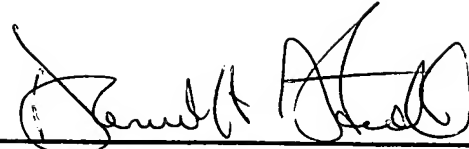
☐ 37 C.F.R. 1.18 (issue fee at or before mailing of Notice of Allowance, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.311(b))

NOTE: Where an authorization to charge the issue fee to a deposit account has been filed before the mailing of a Notice of Allowance, the issue fee will be automatically charged to the deposit account at the time of mailing the notice of allowance. 37 C.F.R. 1.311(b).

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. 1.28(b) requires "Notification of any change in loss of entitlement to small entity status must be filed in the application . . . prior to paying, or at the time of paying . . . issue fee". From the wording of 37 C.F.R. 1.28(b): (a) notification of change of status must be made even if the fee is paid as "other than a small entity" and (b) no notification is required if the change is to another small entity.

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